

# MARYLAND BOARD OF MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS

## SPECIAL MEETING via CONFERENCE CALL

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019

1 Board Members Present:

2 D. Lynn Newman, President; Michele Kutta; Robert Bradshaw; Mark Bailey; Kirk Helfenbein;  
3 Robert Lang; Dr. Ahmed Elzaree; Wayne Cooper, Esq.

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5 Board Staff Present:

6 Gail Tucker, Executive Director; Carla Boyd, Esq., Board Counsel  
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8 Non-Board Members Present:

9 James Doyle, Esq.; James K. Govoni; Ed Lassahn  
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11 A quorum of the members of the Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors met to discuss  
12 the issue of whether to support of *HB218/SB147 – Public Health – Disposition of Remains –*  
13 *Forfeiture of Waiver of Right of Disposition*. For the purpose of requiring a person to forfeit  
14 the right of final disposition of the body of a decedent and that the right pass to the next  
15 qualifying person under certain circumstances; etc.

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17 On motion by Michele Kutta and seconded by Mark Bailey, the members present voted  
18 unanimously to support HB218/SB147.